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(C) Ambassador and Emboffs met with Rwandan Foreign Minister Rosemary Museminali September 18 and delivered reftel demarche. Museminali expressed thanks for the background information, noting that as with the Iranian nuclear program (Ref B), Rwanda did not know the issue in detail. She commented that some countries would likely criticize Rwandan recognition of Kosovo, accusing Rwanda of taking that stance in order to lay the basis for a similar breakaway by parts of eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo. Museminali added that the Government of Kosovo had requested a meeting with her but she had not yet responded, noting she had a packed schedule in New York. Our input would be helpful, she added, if the meeting took place. COMMENT: As with our Iran lobbying effort, Museminali signaled openness to further information on the issue and on U.S. views. END COMMENT. SYMINGTON